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LETTER

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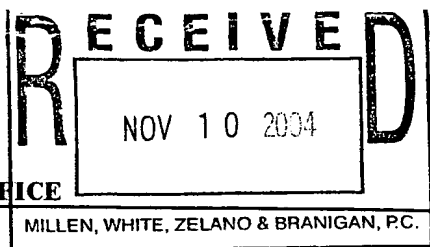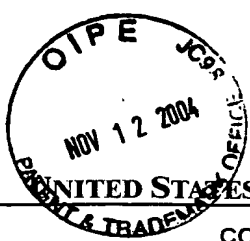Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For the record, attached is a statement from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating that there was copendency between the present application and Applicants' patent application 10/453,867.

Prior to the receipt of the attached letter of November 5, 2004, the record in Applicants' parent application showed that the application was prematurely deemed abandoned by the application branch, resulting in multiple telephone calls and finally a petition. After having not received a response to the petition for about 1 year, additional telephone calls were made, finally resulting in the attached letter of November 5, 2004 which formally rectifies the situation, thereby demonstrating copendency between the present application and Applicants' parent application.

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In response to the telephone communication of November 5, 2004, with Pam Richardson of the above firm. Co-pendency existed between applications 10/453,867 and 10/667,654.

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